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APAC Minutes  
(April 5, 1994)

Present: Reed, Chair; Badal, Bense, Crockett, Debaji, Engels, Frederick, Gracyk, Moore, Olday, Papenfuss, Peil, Pratt, Roy, Schmider, Swenson, Tiedt, Wasson

**1. Master of Liberal Arts.**

Gracyk moved, Papenfuss seconded to approve MLA 528, Latin America: Historical and Cultural Interpretations (4). Motion carried unanimously.

Moore moved, Engels seconded to approve MLA 538, Issues in American Constitutional History (3-4).

Moore moved, Engels seconded to amend the motion and change the 3-4 credits to 4 credits. Motion to amend passed unanimously.

The amended motion to approve the course at 4 credits carried unanimously.

Engels moved, Gracyk seconded to approve MLA 548, History of Science (4). Motion carried unanimously.

Bense moved, Gracyk seconded to approve MLA 558, Literature and Psychology: Archetypes of Midlife (4). Motion carried unanimously.

**2. East Asian Studies Minor.**

A three-year course schedule for the proposed minor in East Asian Studies was distributed.

Engels moved, Moore seconded to approve the East Asian Studies minor. Motion carried unanimously.

**3. MSUS High School Preparation Standards.**

There was considerable discussion about the proposed MSU implementation model which has an effective date of Fall 1994.

Vice President Schmitz explained that a student will fill out a form while in high school. That information will be used by admissions to determine areas in which the student will need to take additional coursework at Moorhead State. It is possible that some areas will include material that is not university-level, and so courses could be taken at a technical college.

Concerns were raised in the following areas: how will MSU staff courses for these needs; why would MSU accept such a policy; if all of the courses aren't taught at MSU, where would they be taught; this will cause advisors to micro-manage what students enroll in during the freshman year; how will the policy be implemented; this could send a message to high schools indicating some students are not meeting entrance requirements;

is it MSU's responsibility to take care of deficiencies when students arrive; and, is there a plan in place and will there be extra sections, if needed.

Gracyk moved, Moore seconded to review a new draft of the proposed MSU Implementation Model of the High School Preparation Standards as a plan for implementation at the next APAC meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

M. Pianka